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To: Pine, Kymberly Marcos
Subject: Ambulance service in Ewa Beach

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in support of Resolution 13-158 which encourages the city to obtain a second provider for back up ambulance services.

I am a resident of Ewa Beach where we do not have ambulance service in our area 24 hours a day. This is simply unacceptable. My mother is in the medical field. We both are acutely aware that quick response time is always critical when trying to save a life. Having both young siblings and elderly, ill grandparents, it is extremely important to us that our medical community be able to respond quickly whenever there is an emergency.

It is my understanding that there is currently a second ambulance company trying to come to the island. It is my opinion that the city would be acting in the best interests of its citizens by encouraging this company to come in. Not only would this fill the unacceptable gaps in the cities emergency response times and abilities, it would also provide more options for emergency service on our island at the many sporting and recreational events that take place in our beautiful home on a weekly basis, year round.

Frankly, I believe the city would be derelict in its duty to serve its citizens if it were to decide against bringing in another ambulance company. The city cannot possibly justify turning away the opportunity to decrease response times that are already much too long in many areas of our island, including our home in West Oahu. The city cannot justify passing up an opportunity to save lives.

Please support and pass this resolution. We need this additional service.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Panaikas

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